MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION MEETING September 5, 2018

The Williamson County Highway Commission met on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. at the Williamson County Highway Department facility at 302 Beasley Drive in Franklin, TN. Commission members present: County Mayor and Highway Commission Chairman, Rogers Anderson; Commissioners Stan Tyson, David Coleman, and Wayne Davis. Commissioner Charles Wilson arrived at approximately 8:50 a.m.

Also present were: Eddie Hood, Highway Superintendent; Greg Boll, Elaine Vasquez, Randy Hickman, Brandon Wright, Highway Department; Joe Horne, Community Development Director; Floyd Heflin, Engineering; Mike Matteson, Planning Director; Nena Graham, Budget Director; Robert Cook, County Attorney, Buerger, Moseley, & Carson; Beth Lothers, County Commission District 5, and other interested individuals.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 8:30 a.m. and asked for the approval of the minutes of the August 1, 2018 Highway Commission meeting. Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Coleman. The motion passed, 4-0.

Special Announcements: There were no Special Announcements.

Citizen Communications: There were no Citizen Communications.

Elections and Appointments: There were no Elections and Appointments.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request by Dustin Tracy of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Tennessee Chapter, for the use of Williamson County roads described on the maps of the charity bicycle routes for the Cycle for Life event to be held on September 29, 2018 to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. (HC Tyson and Davis; CC District 9, Morton/Williams).

Superintendent Hood recommended approval.

County Attorney Cook stated that he has the Certificate of Insurance and will have the Letter of Indemnification signed soon.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of the request from Dustin Tracy of the Tennessee Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation to utilize County roads in the Cycle for Life charity bicycle ride. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed, 4-0.

2. Resolution 9-18-2 RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING AND AMENDING THE 2018-19 PLANNING DEPARTMENT BUDGET BY \$30,000 IN ORDER TO ADD AN ENHANCED FISCAL ANALYSIS COMPONENT TO THE UPDATE TO THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN – REVENUES TO COME FROM UNAPPROPRIATED COUNTY FUND BALANCE.

Commissioner Coleman made a motion to bring Resolution 9-18-2 to the floor for discussion. Commissioner Tyson seconded the motion.

Chairman Anderson prefaced the discussion by stating that the requested funding will come from the County General unappropriated fund balance. He then turned the discussion over to Mr. Matteson.

Mr. Matteson stated that a Resolution appropriating funds to update the Comprehensive Land Use Plan was recommended by the Highway Commission as well as the Planning Commission and Budget Committee a couple of months ago. He stated that a recommendation was made in recent discussions with the County Commission and the consultant team to add a more thorough and in depth fiscal analysis component to the Land Use Plan. He stated that the additional analysis would add an additional tool that the County could use to make the most informed decisions about land use as it relates to community character, infrastructure, traffic issues, and transportation solutions.

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Commissioner Tyson expressed concerns regarding the cost of the additional fiscal analysis stating that the data might be outdated by the time it's utilized. He stated that the recommendations in the Comprehensive Traffic Strategy plan are already moving forward, and he sees no need for the additional funding if the land use information is not to be used immediately.

Chairman Anderson stated that the County presently uses the Shed Model Plan which offers the current guidelines for development and options for road improvement funding. He stated that the fiscal component to the Land Use Plan will serve as an additional option for the future planning of developments and funding for transportation solutions as the rapid rate of growth and development in the unincorporated areas of the County continues.

Mr. Matteson stated that the Comprehensive Land Use update is projected to be complete sometime in the summer of 2019.

Resolution 9-18-2 was accepted by a vote of 3-2. Commissioners Tyson and Davis voted not to accept.

3. Resolution 9-18-14 RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT AT AUCTION.

Superintendent Hood recommended approval and stated that this equipment has surpassed its useful life and will be sold at auction.

Commissioner Coleman requested a list of the proceeds from the equipment after it is sold at the auction.

Commissioner Tyson moved for approval of Resolution 9-18-14. It was seconded by Commissioner Coleman and passed unanimously, 5-0.

Chairman Anderson recognized Mr. Alexander, Mayor of Nolensville and Commissioner Beth Lothers, County Commissioner, District 5 and gave them the opportunity to speak regarding a dangerous intersection in the City of Nolensville and the County.

Mr. Alexander stated that the intersection of Nolensville Road, York Road and Williams Road is a very dangerous intersection where 18 accidents have occurred recently. He stated that two subdivisions and a new school are partially responsible for the additional traffic in the area. He stated that York Road is in the City of Nolensville and Williams Road is a County road. He stated that two traffic impact studies were conducted, and both studies concluded that a traffic light is warranted at the intersection. He stated that the developers of the subdivisions are willing to contribute 12% each to the projected cost of \$250,000 for the signalization. He added that he is making the County aware of the problem and believes the City of Nolensville and the County share responsibility for the cost of the traffic signal at the intersection.

Commissioner Lothers stated that the problem is also a regional problem with traffic coming through the area from Rutherford County.

Superintendent Hood stated that this intersection is within Nolensville's urban growth boundary and added that York Road is the main source of traffic at the intersection. He added that the County requires developers to pay for improvements to the roads impacted by their developments, and believes the developers are responsible for this traffic signal and intersection improvement. He also stated that he does not believe the traffic signal and intersection improvements with turn lanes can be completed for \$250,000.

Chairman Anderson asked Mr. Alexander to get a detailed cost analysis and bring it back before the Highway Commission.

Mr. Alexander stated that the City of Nolensville will continue to work on the situation and will keep the County informed.

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Highway Commission District Reports:

Commissioner Davis: He was not aware of any road issues to report.

Commissioner Wilson: He was not aware of any road issues to report.

Commissioner Tyson: He was not aware of any road issues to report.

Commissioner Coleman: Commissioner Coleman reported speaking with constituents residing on Smithson Road about the need to patch and repave the road.

Highway Superintendent Report: Superintendent Hood acknowledged the August Highway Department Activity Report and stated that the Highway Department is busy with paving projects and bush hogging the County rights-of-way. He added that work began on the Haley Lane bridge project.

Highway Chairman Report: Chairman Anderson had nothing further to present.

Legal Issues: There were no legal issues to address.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:20 a.m. /ev

Rogers C. Anderson
Chairman and County Mayor